

# **Exhibit A**

El Paso County - 168th District Court

## CIVIL CASE INFORMATION SHEET

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Norma Favela Barceau

District Clerk

El Paso County

2018DCV4568

CAUSE NUMBER (FOR CLERK USE ONLY):

COURT (FOR CLERK USE ONLY):

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(e.g., John Smith v. All American Insurance Co; In re Mary Ann Jones; In the Matter of the Estate of George Jackson)

A civil case information sheet must be completed and submitted when an original petition or application is filed to initiate a new civil, family law, probate, or mental health case or when a post-judgment petition for modification or motion for enforcement is filed in a family law case. The information should be the best available at the time of filing.

| <b>1. Contact information for person completing case information sheet:</b><br>Name: <u>Victor Bieganski</u> Email: <u>vbieganski@vjb-law.net</u><br>Address: <u>801 Myrtle Ave. Suite 100</u> Telephone: <u>915.264.1800</u><br>City/State/Zip: <u>El Paso, TX 79901</u> Fax: <u>915.759.4007</u><br>Signature: <u>[Signature]</u> State Bar No: <u>02301100</u>  |  | <b>Names of parties in case:</b><br>Plaintiff(s)/Petitioner(s): <u>Ruben Plascencia</u><br>Defendant(s)/Respondent(s): <u>Kirk Hillman</u><br><u>Heartland Express</u><br><u>Inc.</u><br>[Attach additional page as necessary to list all parties]  | <b>Person or entity completing sheet is:</b><br><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Attorney for Plaintiff/Petitioner<br><input type="checkbox"/> Pro Se Plaintiff/Petitioner<br><input type="checkbox"/> Title IV-D Agency<br><input type="checkbox"/> Other: _____<br><b>Additional Parties in Child Support Case:</b><br>Custodial Parent: _____<br>Non-Custodial Parent: _____<br>Presumed Father: _____  |   |  |  |  |  |   |  |  |  |   |   |  |  |   |  |
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A TRUE COPY, I CERTIFY  
 NORMA FAVELA BARCEAU  
 District Clerk

BY [Signature] Deputy

JAN 30 2019



El Paso County - 168th District Court

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District Clerk

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2018DCV4568

**THE STATE OF TEXAS**

NOTICE TO DEFENDANT: "You have been sued. You may employ an attorney. If you, or your attorney, do not file a written answer with the clerk who issued this citation by 10:00 a.m. on the Monday next following the expiration of twenty days after you were served this citation and petition, a default judgment may be taken against you."

TO: HEARTLAND EXPRESS INC., which may be served with process at 901 N. KANSAS AVE., NORTH LIBERTY, IA 52317 and/or wherever he/she may be found

Greetings:

You are hereby commanded to appear by filing a written answer to the Plaintiff's Original Petition at or before ten o'clock A.M. of the Monday next after the expiration of twenty days after the date of service of this citation before the Honorable 168<sup>th</sup> Judicial District Court, El Paso County, Texas, at the Court House of said County in El Paso, Texas.

Said Plaintiff's Petition was filed in said court on the 4<sup>th</sup> day of December, 2018 by Attorney at Law, VICTOR J. BIEGANOWSKI, 801 MYRTLE AVENUE, SUITE 100, EL PASO, TX 79901, in this case numbered 2018DCV4568 on the docket of said court, and styled:

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VS  
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The officer executing this writ shall promptly serve the same according to requirements of law, and the mandates thereof, and make due return as the law directs.

Issued and given under my hand and seal of said Court at El Paso, Texas, on the 7<sup>th</sup> day of December, 2018.

CLERK OF THE COURT

NORMA FAVELA BARCELEAU  
District Clerk  
El Paso County Courthouse  
500 E. San Antonio Ave, RM 103  
El Paso, Texas 79901



Attest: NORMA FAVELA BARCELEAU District Clerk  
El Paso County, Texas

By: Veronica Cables Deputy  
Veronica Cables

Rule 106: "The citation shall be served by the officer delivering to each defendant, in person, a true copy of the citation with the date of delivery endorsed thereon and with a copy of the petition attached thereto."





## RETURN

Came on hand on \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_\_\_ at \_\_\_\_\_ o'clock  
 \_\_\_\_\_ M., and executed in \_\_\_\_\_ County, Texas, by delivering to  
 each of the within-named defendants, in person, a true copy of this Citation, having first endorsed thereon  
 the date of delivery, together with the accompanying true and correct copy of the Plaintiff's Original  
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 of Intention to Take Deposition, at the following times and places, to-wit:

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And not executed as to the defendant, \_\_\_\_\_

the diligence used in finding said defendant, being \_\_\_\_\_

and the cause of failure to execute this process is: \_\_\_\_\_

and the information received as to the whereabouts of the said defendant, being \_\_\_\_\_

FEES—SERVING \_\_\_\_\_ cop \_\_\_\_\_ \$ \_\_\_\_\_ Sheriff \_\_\_\_\_

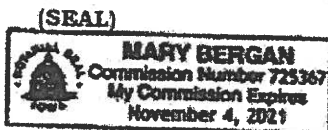
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## CERTIFICATE OF DELIVERY

I do hereby certify that I delivered to David Dalmasso HR Director Heartland Express  
Inc 901 N. Kansas Ave North Liberty, Ia on the 16 day of Jan  
 20 19 at 11:00 o'clock A m. this copy of this instrument

By Ramy Brandt Sheriff Agent  
PROCESS SERVER County, Texas  
By Ramy Brandt Deputy Agent

SUBSCRIBED AND SWORN TO BEFORE ME ON THE 18 DAY OF Jan, 2019.



M. Bergan  
 NOTARY PUBLIC, STATE OF ~~TEXAS~~ Iowa

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District Clerk

BY Norma Favela Barceau Deputy

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## THE STATE OF TEXAS

NOTICE TO DEFENDANT: "You have been sued. You may employ an attorney. If you, or your attorney, do not file a written answer with the clerk who issued this citation by 10:00 a.m. on the Monday next following the expiration of twenty days after you were served this citation and petition, a default judgment may be taken against you."

TO: **KIRK HILLMAN**, who may be served with process at **2400 N. BULLARD #1087 AVE., GOODYEAR, AZ 85395** and/or wherever he/she may be found

Greetings:

You are hereby commanded to appear by filing a written answer to the Plaintiff's Original Petition at or before ten o'clock A.M. of the Monday next after the expiration of twenty days after the date of service of this citation before the Honorable **168<sup>th</sup> Judicial District Court**, El Paso County, Texas, at the Court House of said County in El Paso, Texas.

Said Plaintiff's Petition was filed in said court on the 4<sup>th</sup> day of December, 2018 by Attorney at Law, **VICTOR J. BIEGANOWSKI**, 801 MYRTLE AVENUE, SUITE 100, EL PASO, TX 79901, in this case numbered **2018DCV4568** on the docket of said court, and styled:

**RUBEN PLASCENCIA**  
**VS**  
**KIRK HILLMAN and HEARTLAND EXPRESS INC.**

The nature of Plaintiff's demand is fully shown by a true and correct copy of the Plaintiff's Original Petition, Request for Admissions, Plaintiff's First Set of Interrogatories to Defendant and Privilege Log, Plaintiff's First Request for Production of Documents and Things to Defendant and Privilege Log, Notice of Intention to Take Deposition accompanying this citation and made a part hereof.

The officer executing this writ shall promptly serve the same according to requirements of law, and the mandates thereof, and make due return as the law directs.

Issued and given under my hand and seal of said Court at El Paso, Texas, on the 7<sup>th</sup> day of December, 2018.

CLERK OF THE COURT

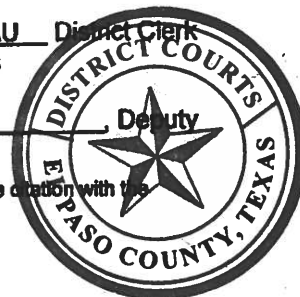
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Rule 106: "the citation shall be served by the officer delivering to each defendant, in person, a true copy of the citation with the date of delivery endorsed thereon and with a copy of the petition attached thereto."

**RETURN**

Came on hand on \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_\_\_, at \_\_\_\_\_ o'clock \_\_\_\_\_ M., and executed in \_\_\_\_\_ County, Texas, by delivering to each of the within-named defendants, in person, a true copy of this Citation, having first endorsed thereon the date of delivery, together with the accompanying true and correct copy of the Plaintiff's Original Petition, Request for Admissions, Plaintiff's First Set of Interrogatories to Defendant and Privilege Log, Plaintiff's First Request for Production of Documents and Things to Defendant and Privilege Log, Notice of Intention to Take Deposition, at the following times and places, to-wit:

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**NOTICE OF INTENTION TO TAKE DEPOSITION**

TO: HEARTLAND EXPRESS INC.

Pursuant to the Texas Rules of Civil Procedure, you are notified of our intention to take the oral deposition of the following witness which will begin at the designated time and continue thereafter until completed.

WITNESS: DEFENDANT  
HEARTLAND EXPRESS INC.  
901 N. Kansas Ave.  
North Liberty, Iowa 52317

DATE: April 2, 2018

TIME: 1:00 O' Clock P.M.

A SUBPOENA IS REQUESTED \_\_\_\_\_ YES   X   NO

LOCATION: Associated Court Reporters  
Court Reporters  
Wells Fargo Plaza, 221 N Kansas St, El Paso, TX 79901

Such deposition, when taken, will be used as evidence at the trial of the above styled cause.



Respectfully submitted,

**VICTOR J. BIEGANOWSKI, P.C.**

By: 

**VICTOR J. BIEGANOWSKI**

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KIRK HILLMAN  
2400 N. Bullard #1087 Ave.  
Goodyear, Arizona 85395

DATE: April 2, 2018

TIME: 9:30 O' Clock A.M.

A SUBPOENA IS REQUESTED \_\_\_\_\_ YES   X   NO

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**PLAINTIFF'S ORIGINAL PETITION**

**TO THE HONORABLE JUDGE OF SAID COURT:**

NOW COMES RUBEN PLASCENCIA, (hereinafter referred to as "Plaintiff"),  
 complaining of KIRK HILLMAN (hereinafter referred to sometimes as Defendant  
 "HILLMAN") and HEARTLAND EXPRESS INC. (hereinafter referred to sometimes as  
 Defendant "HEARTLAND"), and for cause of action shows unto the Court the following:

**I. DISCOVERY CONTROL PLAN LEVEL**

Pursuant to Rule 190, Plaintiff intends that discovery be conducted under Discovery  
 Level 3.

**II. PARTIES AND SERVICE**

Plaintiff, RUBEN PLASCENCIA, is a resident of El Paso County, Texas. Plaintiff's last  
 three digits of his Driver's License number are 070.

Defendant KIRK HILLMAN is a resident of Hialeah County, Florida and may be served  
 with process by serving him at 2400 N. Bullard #1087 Ave., Goodyear, AZ 85395 and/or where  
 ever he may be found.



Defendant HEARTLAND EXPRESS INC. is a business entity doing business in the State of Texas and may be served with process at 901 N. Kansas Ave, North Liberty, IA 52317.

### **III. JURISDICTION AND VENUE**

1. The subject matter in controversy is within the jurisdictional limits of this Court.
2. This Court has jurisdiction over the parties because Plaintiff is a Texas resident.
3. Venue in El Paso County is proper in this cause under Section 15.002(a)(1) of the Texas Civil Practice and Remedies Code because Defendant is domiciled therein and all or a substantial part of the events or omissions giving rise to this lawsuit occurred in El Paso County, Texas.

### **IV. FACTS**

The injuries and damages suffered by the Plaintiff made the basis of this action arose out of an occurrence on or about July 3, 2018 at approximately 10:27 AM in El Paso County, Texas. At such time and place, Plaintiff was travelling Southbound in the 1200 block of Pullman Rd. in El Paso County, Texas. Suddenly and without warning, a vehicle owned by Defendant, HEARTLAND EXPRESS INC., and being driven by Defendant KIRK HILLMAN while he was in the course and scope of his employment with Defendant HEARTLAND., Defendant, HILLMAN, in the process of attempting to turn left into a private drive passed his intended turn and unsafely suddenly backing up, crashed into the front of Plaintiff's vehicle, causing this collision. As a direct and proximate result of this incident, Plaintiff suffered serious personal injuries and substantial property damage.



## **V. CAUSES OF ACTION**

### **A. NEGLIGENCE – DEFENDANT KIRK HILLMAN**

Defendant, HILLMAN owed a reasonable degree of care to Plaintiff. Plaintiff alleges that the collision and Plaintiff's damages were proximately caused by the negligence of Defendant arising from one or more of the following alternative theories of negligence:

1. Failure to yield right of way.
2. Driving reckless in violation of Tex. Transp. Code Ann. § 545.401.
3. Failure to change lanes in a safe manner.
4. Failure to use due care in operating a motor vehicle.
5. Failure to keep a proper lookout in violation of Tex. Transp. Code Ann §545.351.
6. Failure to safely apply brakes to avoid an incident.
7. Making an unsafe left turn in front of Plaintiff's Vehicle.
8. Failure to honk and give adequate warning of the impending danger.
9. Failure to warn of his approach.
10. Failure to pay attention.
11. Failure to take proper evasive action.
12. Failure to use due care and caution under the circumstances then existing.
13. Failure to use due care in operating a motor vehicle. (Tex. Transp. Code §545.351)
14. Failure to yield the right of way.
15. Other acts of negligence.

Each of which acts or omissions was other than what a reasonable and prudent person would have been doing under the same or similar circumstances. Each of which acts or omissions was a proximate cause of Plaintiff's damages.

### **B. NEGLIGENCE PER SE – DEFENDANT KIRK HILLMAN**

Said collision and Plaintiff's damages were proximately caused by Defendant's violations of the laws of the State of Texas and of the United States of America constituting negligence per se. At the time of the motor vehicle collision, Defendant, HILLMAN was operating his vehicle in violation of Texas Transportation Law. Specifically, Defendant KIRK HILLMAN violated the following provisions of Texas Transportation Law:

1. Unsafe driving.
2. Failure to yield right of way.



3. Driving reckless in violation of Tex. Transp. Code Ann. § 545.401.
4. Failure to turn in a safe manner.
5. Failure to use due care in operating a motor vehicle.
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15. Other acts of negligence.

Each of the above and foregoing acts and omissions, singularly or in combination, constituted the negligence that was the proximate cause of the motor vehicle collision and consequently the injuries and damages of Plaintiff.

**C. RESPONDEAT SUPERIOR – DEFENDANT HEARTLAND EXPRESS INC.**

At all times relevant to this action, Defendant, HILLMAN, was in the course and scope of his employment and/or agency with Defendant, HEARTLAND EXPRESS INC., thereby making Defendant HEARTLAND. vicariously liable under the doctrine of *respondeat superior* for the negligent acts of Defendant, HILLMAN, described-above which singularly or in combination proximately caused the motor vehicle collision and resulting injuries and damages of Plaintiff.

Plaintiff hereby asserts the theory of *respondeat superior* of Defendant HEARTLAND. and its liability for the negligent and reckless conduct of Defendant, HILLMAN and/or other employees/agents acting within the course and scope of their employment and/or agency.





Said collision and Plaintiff's damages described above were proximately caused by Defendant HEARTLAND's employee/agent's violation of the laws of the State of Texas and of the United States of America, constituting negligence per se. As a result of said negligence described above that proximately caused Plaintiff's damages, Defendant, HEARTLAND EXPRESS INC. and Defendant, HILLMAN, are liable to Plaintiff.

**D. NEGLIGENCE HIRING, QUALIFYING, SUPERVISION, ENTRUSTMENT, TRAINING, AND RETENTION-DEFENDANT HEARTLAND EXPRESS INC.**

At all times relevant to this action, Defendant, HEARTLAND, had certain duties, including those imposed by regulations and other industry standards and practices, in connection with hiring, qualifying, training, entrusting, supervising and retaining Defendant, HILLMAN. Defendant, HEARTLAND, was negligent in failing to take reasonable steps to ensure that these duties were met. As a proximate result of their negligence, Plaintiff RUBEN PLASCENCIA suffered personal injuries, arising from one or more of the following alternative theories of negligence:

1. That on July 3, 2018, Defendant, HEARTLAND EXPRESS INC., was negligent by entrusting the control and operation of the motor vehicle, which was under its control, to Defendant, HILLMAN;
2. Allowing Defendant, HILLMAN, to operate its vehicle on the public streets of El Paso County, Texas, and in particular at the location referred to above, when it knew or should have known that Defendant, HILLMAN, was unfit and unskilled to operate the vehicle.
3. Failing to properly train, supervise and educate its drivers;
4. Failing to properly screen its applicants for driver certification;
5. Failing to establish and enforce reasonable rules and regulations for qualifying persons to operate its commercial vehicles;
6. Failure to adequately communicate orders, instructions and directions;
7. Other acts of negligence that may be established through discovery in the case.



## **VI. DAMAGES**

As a direct and proximate result of the occurrence, Plaintiff suffered bodily injuries. As a further result of the occurrence, Plaintiff has incurred expenses for medical care, attention and other expenses. These expenses incurred were necessary for the care and treatment of the injuries sustained by Plaintiff, and the charges made and to be made were the usual and customary charges for such services. Plaintiff will require further medical care and attention and will necessarily incur reasonable expenses in the future for such medical needs.

As a result of the occurrence, Plaintiff was prevented from performing his household duties and will continue to be unable to perform his household duties in the future.

Plaintiff suffered lost wages in the past and will suffer lost wages and loss of earning capacity in the future.

Plaintiff has suffered physical pain and suffering in the past and will continue to suffer physical pain and suffering in the future. Plaintiff has suffered mental pain and anguish in the past and will continue to suffer mental pain and anguish in the future. As a further result of the occurrence, Plaintiff has suffered emotional distress in the past and will continue to suffer emotional distress in the future. As a result of the occurrence, Plaintiff has suffered and will continue to suffer impairment to his body. Plaintiff has suffered damages within the jurisdictional limits of this Court and requests monetary relief over \$200,000.00 but not to exceed \$1,000,000.00.

## **VII. DAMAGES TO PERSONAL PROPERTY**

Plaintiff would show that as a direct and proximate result of Defendants' negligence, and each of them, Plaintiff's vehicle was damaged. Plaintiff seeks compensation for his property damage, as well as compensation for the loss of use of his vehicle and compensation for the



diminished value of his vehicle.

### **VIII. PUNITIVE DAMAGES**

Plaintiff will show that the acts and omissions of Defendants, and each of them, as set forth above was in heedless and reckless disregard for the rights and safety of Plaintiff and showed actual conscious indifference and conscious disregard for the rights and safety of Plaintiff so as to constitute gross negligence and/or malice being a proximate cause of the occurrence and the resulting damages and injuries sustained by Plaintiff. Plaintiff is entitled to punitive damages.

### **IX. REQUESTS FOR DISCLOSURE**

Pursuant to Rule 194 of the Texas Rules of Civil Procedure, Defendants are requested to disclose the information and material described in Rule 194.2 within fifty one (51) days of the service of this request.

### **X. PRAYER**

**WHEREFORE PREMISES CONSIDERED**, Plaintiff prays that Defendants be cited to appear and answer, and that on final trial, Plaintiff has judgment against Defendants for all relief requested, for costs, pre-judgment and post judgment interest and for such other relief, general and special, at law or in equity, to which Plaintiff is entitled.

**PLAINTIFF HEREBY DEMANDS TRIAL BY JURY**



Respectfully submitted,

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**REQUEST FOR ADMISSIONS**

**TO: HEARTLAND EXPRESS INC.**

Pursuant to the Texas Rule of Civil Procedure 198, you are required to make a written response to these requests **FIFTY ONE (51) DAYS** after service:

- (1) Admit the truth of any matter within the scope of discovery.
- (2) Admit the truth of any statements of opinion or of fact or of application of law to fact.
- (3) Admit the genuineness of any documents served with this request or otherwise made available for inspection or copying.
- (4) Admit or deny each of the attached requests for admissions.

**You are also instructed as follows:**

- (1) Unless you state an objection or assert a privilege, you must specifically admit or deny the request or explain in detail the reasons that you cannot admit or deny the request.
- (2) Your response must fairly meet the substance of the request.
- (3) You may qualify an answer, or deny a request in part, only when good faith requires.



- (4) Lack of information or knowledge is not a proper response unless you state that a reasonable inquiry was made but that the information or known or easily obtainable is insufficient to enable the responding party to admit or deny.
- (5) An assertion that the request presents an issue for trial is not a proper response.
- (6) You are reminded that if you fail to timely respond, the request is considered admitted without the necessity of a court order.
- (7) If you deny a request for admission and the Plaintiff proves the truth of such matter you may be ordered to pay the cost of proof, including Plaintiff's attorneys.
- (8) Your failure to respond as required by the Texas Rules of Civil Procedure to these requests within the time required may result in the imposition of sanctions.

Pursuant to Tex. R. Civ. P. 196.4 you are requested to produce any of the above information that exists in electronic or magnetic data.

You are hereby put on notice that Pursuant to Rule 193.2(e), an objection that is not made within the time required, or that is **obscured by numerous unfounded objections** is waived unless the court excuses the waiver for good cause shown.



Respectfully submitted,

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**REQUEST FOR ADMISSIONS**

**ADMISSION NO. 1:** Admit or Deny that on or about July 3, 2018, you were aware that Defendant KIRK HILLMAN was involved in a motor vehicle incident.

**ANSWER:**

**ADMISSION NO. 2:** Admit or Deny that on or about July 3, 2018, you were the owner of the vehicle involved in this collision that was driven by Defendant KIRK HILLMAN.

**ANSWER:**

**ADMISSION NO. 3:** Admit or Deny that on or about July 3, 2018, and at the time of the collision made the basis of this suit, you entrusted your vehicle to Defendant KIRK HILLMAN.

**ANSWER:**

**ADMISSION NO. 4:** Admit or Deny that on or about July 3, 2018, and at the time of the collision made the basis of this suit that Plaintiff's conduct did not contribute to this incident.

**ANSWER:**

**ADMISSION NO. 5:** Admit or Deny that Plaintiff properly named Defendant HEARTLAND EXPRESS INC. in Plaintiff's Original Petition.

**ANSWER:**

**ADMISSION NO. 6:** Admit or Deny that on the date of the collision, Defendant KIRK HILLMAN had a valid driver's license.

**ANSWER:**

**ADMISSION NO. 7:** Admit or Deny that you do not contend the collision was unavoidable.

**ANSWER:**





**ADMISSION NO. 8:** Admit or Deny that Defendant, KIRK HILLMAN, had your permission to operate your vehicle involved in this incident.

**ANSWER:**

**ADMISSION NO. 9:** Admit or Deny that on the date of the collision, Defendant KIRK HILLMAN did not have a valid driver's license.

**ANSWER:**

**ADMISSION NO. 10:** Admit or Deny that on the date of the collision, you were aware that Defendant KIRK HILLMAN did not have a valid driver's license.

**ANSWER:**

**ADMISSION NO. 11:** Admit or Deny that Defendant KIRK HILLMAN was in the course and scope of your employment at the time of this incident.

**ANSWER:**



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**You are also instructed as follows:**

- (1) Unless you state an objection or assert a privilege, you must specifically admit or deny the request or explain in detail the reasons that you cannot admit or deny the request.
- (2) Your response must fairly meet the substance of the request.
- (3) You may qualify an answer, or deny a request in part, only when good faith requires.
- (4) Lack of information or knowledge is not a proper response unless you state that a



reasonable inquiry was made but that the information or known or easily obtainable is insufficient to enable the responding party to admit or deny.

- (5) An assertion that the request presents an issue for trial is not a proper response.
- (6) You are reminded that if you fail to timely respond, the request is considered admitted without the necessity of a court order.
- (7) If you deny a request for admission and the Plaintiff proves the truth of such matter you may be ordered to pay the cost of proof, including Plaintiff's attorneys.
- (8) Your failure to respond as required by the Texas Rules of Civil Procedure to these requests within the time required may result in the imposition of sanctions.

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**REQUEST FOR ADMISSIONS**

**ADMISSION NO. 1:** Admit or Deny that on or about July 3, 2018, you were involved in a vehicle collision.

**ANSWER:**

**ADMISSION NO. 2:** Admit or Deny that on or about July 3, 2018, and at the time of the collision made the basis of this suit, you were negligent in causing injury to Plaintiff.

**ANSWER:**

**ADMISSION NO. 3:** Admit or Deny that on or about July 3, 2018, and at the time of the collision made the basis of this suit, there were no obstructions to your vision.

**ANSWER:**

**ADMISSION NO. 4:** Admit or Deny that on or about July 3, 2018, and at the time of the collision made the basis of this suit, you were driving Southbound on Pullman Rd. in El Paso County, Texas.

**ANSWER:**

**ADMISSION NO. 5:** Admit or Deny that on or about July 3, 2018, and at the time of the collision made the basis of this suit, you did not see Plaintiff's vehicle immediately prior to this incident.

**ANSWER:**

**ADMISSION NO. 6:** Admit or Deny that on or about July 3, 2018, and at the time of the collision made the basis of this suit that Plaintiff's conduct did not contribute to this incident.

**ANSWER:**

**ADMISSION NO. 7:** Admit or Deny that Plaintiff properly named Defendant KIRK HILLMAN in Plaintiff's Original Petition.

**ANSWER:**



**ADMISSION NO. 8:** Admit or Deny that, at the time of the collision, you did not own the vehicle you were driving involved in the collision.

**ANSWER:**

**ADMISSION NO. 9:** Admit or Deny that on the date of the collision, you had a valid driver's license.

**ANSWER:**

**ADMISSION NO. 10:** Admit or Deny that, on the date of the collision, your driver's license was revoked or suspended.

**ANSWER:**

**ADMISSION NO. 11:** Admit or Deny that, on the date of the collision you were not violating a restriction placed on your driver's license.

**ANSWER:**

**ADMISSION NO. 12:** Admit or Deny that the condition of the road surface did not contribute to the cause of the collision.

**ANSWER:**

**ADMISSION NO. 13:** Admit or Deny that the lighting conditions did not contribute to the cause of the collision.

**ANSWER:**

**ADMISSION NO. 14:** Admit or Deny that the weather conditions did not contribute to the cause of the collision.

**ANSWER:**





**ADMISSION NO. 15:**  
of the incident.

Admit or Deny that you were using a cellular telephone at the time

**ANSWER:**

**ADMISSION NO. 16:**  
unavoidable.

Admit or Deny that you do not contend the collision was

**ANSWER:**

**ADMISSION NO. 17:**  
corrective lenses.

Admit or Deny that you have normal vision without the use of

**ANSWER:**

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time of the collision.

Admit or Deny that you were not wearing corrective lenses at the

**ANSWER:**

**ADMISSION NO. 19:**  
practitioner or other practitioner of the healing arts during the month before the collision.

Admit or Deny that you were under the care of a medical

**ANSWER:**

**ADMISSION NO. 19:**  
Express Inc. at the time of the collision.

Admit or Deny that you were acting as an agent for Heartland

**ANSWER:**

**ADMISSION NO. 20:**  
collision.

Admit or Deny that you were not injured as a result of the

**ANSWER:**



**ADMISSION NO. 21:** Admit or Deny that Plaintiff incurred reasonable medical bills for the necessary medical treatment of Plaintiff for the injuries she suffered as a result of the collision in question.

**ANSWER:**

**ADMISSION NO. 22:** Admit or Deny that you were a proximate cause of this incident.

**ANSWER:**

**ADMISSION NO. 23:** Admit or Deny that in this incident that the investigating officer stated in the police report that at the time of this incident you were backing your vehicle unsafely.

**ANSWER:**

**ADMISSION NO. 24:** Admit or Deny that you agree to the investigator's Narrative of what happened in the El Paso Police Report.

**ANSWER:**

**ADMISSION NO. 25:** Admit or Deny that you were given a citation for causing this incident, No. T4469916.

**ANSWER:**

**ADMISSION NO. 26:** Admit or Deny that you were in the course and scope of your employment with Defendant, HEARTLAND EXPRESS INC., at the time of this incident.

**ANSWER:**

**ADMISSION NO. 27:** Admit or Deny that you were given a citation No. T4469916 for backing your vehicle unsafely.

**ANSWER:**



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**PLAINTIFF'S FIRST SET OF INTERROGATORIES**  
**TO DEFENDANT AND PRIVELEGE LOG**

TO: HEARTLAND EXPRESS INC.

You are hereby served with Interrogatories pursuant to the Texas Rule of Civil Procedure 197 to be answered in writing under oath. Your answers are to be preceded by the Interrogatory to which the answer pertains. The answers are to be signed and verified by the persons making them. You are to respond to these interrogatories **FIFTY ONE (51) DAYS** after service. If you object or assert a privilege in answering these Interrogatories, any Interrogatory or part thereof, you shall serve your objection upon Plaintiff in writing within **FIFTY ONE (51) DAYS** after service. You are hereby advised that an evasive or incomplete answer is to be treated as a failure to answer. You are expected to supplement your answers in accordance with the Texas Rule of Civil Procedure. If you fail to answer these Interrogatories as set forth above and in accordance with the Texas Rules of Civil Procedure, then Plaintiffs will move that sanctions be imposed against you pursuant to the Texas Rules of Civil Procedure. Pursuant to Tex. R. Civ. P. 196.4 you are requested to produce any of the above information that exists in electronic or magnetic data.



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**PRIVILEGE LOG** - Pursuant to Texas Rules of Civil Procedure 193.3(b), Plaintiff requests that Defendant identify the information and material withheld. Demand is hereby made that the identity of the information and material withheld be done FIFTY ONE (51) days after date hereof.

Respectfully submitted,

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## **INTERROGATORIES**

**INTERROGATORY NO. 1:** If you contend that Plaintiff has sued the wrong party or that your name is incorrectly stated in this lawsuit, please explain the basis for your contention and identify the correct legal entity for the correct party in interest to this suit.

**ANSWER:**

**INTERROGATORY NO. 2:** Identify the following people: (a) The Safety Director/Chief Safety Officer or any person(s) of similar title(s) for HEARTLAND EXPRESS INC. on the date of the collision in question and now; (b) The person(s) primarily responsible for compliance with state and federal safety regulations at HEARTLAND EXPRESS INC. on the date of the collision in question and now; (c) The person(s) responsible for training KIRK HILLMAN; and (d) KIRK HILLMAN's supervisor and manager on the date of the collision in question.

**ANSWER:**

**INTERROGATORY NO. 3:** With respect to the vehicle operated by KIRK HILLMAN at the time of the collision in question, provide the following information:

- (a) Identify the registered owner, lessor (if any) and lessee (if any) on the date of the collision in question and presently.
- (b) Provide the mileage and gross weight at the time of the collision in question;
- (c) For the engine, identify the manufacturer, year, model and identification number;
- (d) Identify all systems and devices in/on the vehicle that have the capability of recording and or transmitting any data about the operation of the vehicle (including without limitation Engine Control Module, Event Data Recorder, Airbag Control Module, Brake Control Module, Electronic On-Board Recorder, VORAD, etc.), state whether or not that data has been preserved and/or downloaded, and if so, when and by whom.
- (e) Identify all systems and devices of any kind in or on the vehicle that allowed for communication between the driver and any other person or entity, state whether the data for the time period surrounding the collision in question has been preserved, and identify the person who has custody of the data and of the system from which the data was acquired.
- (f) Identify all systems and devices of any kind in or on the vehicle that has the capability to monitor, record, and/or transmit data (this includes, but is not limited to, Qualcomm, TransCore, SkyBitz, Fluensee, Fleetilla, Teletrac, Lat-Lon, Telogis, GeoLogic, Cheetah, Xata, PeopleNet or similar system; any collision or lane departure warning system; any driver safety monitoring or hours of service monitoring system; any transponders or tachographs; any onboard cameras or video devices; any bar code or toll pass systems; and any other tracking system, logging unit, trip monitor, trip recorder, GPS system, satellite systems, or cellular systems), state whether the data for the time period surrounding the collision in question has been preserved, and



identify the person who has custody of the data and of the system from which the data was acquired.

- (g) Identify all maintenance and repairs performed for the time period from 12 months before the collision in question to present.

**ANSWER:**

**INTERROGATORY NO. 4:** With Respect to KIRK HILLMAN, provide the following information:

- (a) Explain the relationship between HEARTLAND EXPRESS INC. and KIRK HILLMAN at the time of the collision in question (e.g., leased driver, company driver, etc.);
- (b) Explain how KIRK HILLMAN was paid (by hour, by incident, salary or other);
- (c) Identify when HEARTLAND EXPRESS INC.'s relationship with KIRK HILLMAN began and ended.

**ANSWER:**

**INTERROGATORY NO. 5:** Was KIRK HILLMAN acting within the course and scope of his employment with you at the time of the collision in question? If not, explain the basis for your contention and identify documents and witnesses that support your contention.

**ANSWER:**

**INTERROGATORY NO. 6:** Was KIRK HILLMAN acting as an agent for you at the time of the collision in question? If not, explain the basis for your contention and identify documents and witnesses that support your contention.

**ANSWER:**

**INTERROGATORY NO. 7:** Identify and describe all formal and informal disciplinary and/or counseling actions undertaken by HEARTLAND EXPRESS INC. regarding KIRK HILLMAN at any time.

**ANSWER:**

**INTERROGATORY NO. 8:** Describe in detail all training and education (including on the job training) provided by or on behalf of HEARTLAND EXPRESS INC. to KIRK HILLMAN at any time and in any way related to the performing roadside maintenance on an interstate roadway.





**ANSWER:**

**INTERROGATORY NO. 9:** Identify all traffic violations committed by KIRK HILLMAN, either while in your employ or in previous employment.

**ANSWER:**

**INTERROGATORY NO. 10:** If KIRK HILLMAN has ever been arrested or charged with any crime to your knowledge, for each arrest or charge identify the charge, date, jurisdiction and disposition.

**ANSWER:**

**INTERROGATORY NO. 11:** For each motor vehicle collision/accident involving KIRK HILLMAN, of which you are aware, provide the collision/accident date, location, jurisdiction, names of other parties involved, and a brief description of what happened.

**ANSWER:**

**INTERROGATORY NO. 12:** If KIRK HILLMAN had ever been disqualified due to non-compliance with company standards/guidelines or any other circumstance from driving a vehicle while in your employ, please describe when and under what circumstances.

**ANSWER:**

**INTERROGATORY NO. 13:** Identify all HEARTLAND EXPRESS INC. policies, procedures, rules, guidelines, directives, manuals, handbooks and instructions that were in effect for KIRK HILLMAN at the time of the collision in question.

**ANSWER:**

**INTERROGATORY NO. 14:** Explain your understanding of how and why the collision in question occurred.

**ANSWER:**



**INTERROGATORY NO. 15:** Identify all persons who to your knowledge were present at the scene of the collision in question at any time in the 48 hours after the collision and explain their role, why they were at the scene and what actions they took.

**ANSWER:**

**INTERROGATORY NO. 16:** Identify each person (name and employer) who has been involved in the investigation of the collision in question. For each person identified, describe their role and involvement in the investigation.

**ANSWER:**

**INTERROGATORY NO. 17:** Identify all person(s) who you to your knowledge have or may have any relevant information regarding: the collision in question; the facts leading up to the collision in question; the investigation of the collision in question; any party to this action; any vehicles involved in the collision in question; and/or any claims or defenses raised in this action. The purpose of this Interrogatory is to identify all witnesses whom HEARTLAND EXPRESS INC. believes may have relevant testimony of any kind in connection with this case.

**ANSWER:**

**INTERROGATORY NO. 18:** Identify all persons who to your knowledge have given a statement **in any form** (written, oral, recorded or otherwise) in connection with this case. For each person identified, provide the date and time of the statement, identify to whom the statement was made and who was present when the statement was made, identify whether the statement was written, oral, recorded, and/or transcribed, and identify all persons presently having custody of the statement.

**ANSWER:**

**INTERROGATORY NO. 19:** Identify and explain all interaction and communication between anyone working for or on behalf of HEARTLAND EXPRESS INC. and anyone employed with or acting on behalf of any other Defendant named in this action in connection with the collision in question.

**ANSWER:**



**INTERROGATORY NO. 20:** Please state whether any drug and/or alcohol tests (blood, urine or otherwise) performed on KIRK HILLMAN after the collision in question occurred. If so, please state the time at which the test was administered, the name, address and phone number of the persons, firms, or entities who administered said test(s) and all such persons, firms, or entities in possession of a copy of the results of said test(s).

**ANSWER:**

**INTERROGATORY NO. 21:** As to any tests, inspections, measurements and/or investigations performed by or on behalf of HEARTLAND EXPRESS INC., or of which you are at all aware regarding in any way the collision in question and/or any other matter raised in this case, identify all person(s) who ordered and/or who participated in performing each and describe in detail the subject(s), purpose(s), methodologies and conclusions of each.

**ANSWER:**

**INTERROGATORY NO. 22:** Identify all photographs, motion pictures, maps, plats, drawings, diagrams, videotapes, or other tangible or documentary evidence depicting the scene of the collision in question and/or any person or vehicle involved in the collision in question.

**ANSWER:**

**INTERROGATORY NO. 23:** If you maintain that any non-party has any responsibility of any kind for causing the collision in question, and/or for causing any of the damages alleged in the Complaint, identify each such person and or entity, describe in detail the basis for their responsibility and identify all person(s) who have any knowledge regarding this issue.

**ANSWER:**

**INTERROGATORY NO. 24:** If you maintain that Plaintiff has any responsibility of any kind for causing the collision in question, and/or for causing any of the damages alleged in the Plaintiff's Complaint, describe in detail the basis for this responsibility and identify all person(s) who have any knowledge regarding this issue.

**ANSWER:**



**INTERROGATORY NO. 25:** If HEARTLAND EXPRESS INC. has performed any review (e.g., accident review board, preventability determination) of the collision in question to determine preventability and/or fault, identify all persons involved in the review, the dates of the review and the conclusions that were reached.

**ANSWER:**

**INTERROGATORY NO. 26:** Identify each person HEARTLAND EXPRESS INC. expects to call as an expert witness at trial and for each expert identified:

- (a) Summarize each opinion the expert holds in regards to this case;
- (b) Identify the factual basis for each such opinion;
- (c) Identify all documents and evidence of any kind provided to the expert for review;
- (d) Identify all documents and evidence of any kind that support each opinion.

**ANSWER:**

**INTERROGATORY NO. 27:** For each of Plaintiff's First Request for Admissions to HEARTLAND EXPRESS INC. that you did not admit without qualification, explain in detail the reason for your refusal to admit and identify all persons and documents that support your response.

**ANSWER:**

**INTERROGATORY NO. 28:** For each insurance policy, including but not limited to any excess policies, of any kind that does or may provide any coverage on behalf of any Defendant (whether it is your policy or anyone else's policy) for damages/injuries alleged in this case, provide: name of insurer; policy number; limits of coverage; the name(s) of all insureds; and state whether any insurer has offered a defense under a reservation of rights or otherwise contested coverage for the subject case.

**ANSWER:**

**INTERROGATORY NO. 29:** If anyone working for or on behalf of HEARTLAND EXPRESS INC. has engaged in any surveillance of Plaintiff or anyone associated with Plaintiff, identify who performed the surveillance, the dates of the surveillance, and what documents and things were generated as a result of the surveillance.

**ANSWER:**



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**INTERROGATORIES**

**INTERROGATORY NO. 1:** State your full name, address, telephone number, cell phone number, cellular provider at the time of the incident, date and place of birth, and social security number.

**ANSWER:**

**INTERROGATORY NO. 2:** Were you in the course and scope of employment at the time of the occurrence? If so, please provide the name of your Employer and their contact information.

**ANSWER:**

**INTERROGATORY NO. 3:** On the date of the incident, describe in detail the vehicle you were driving. If you will, please include information on ownership and any condition in the vehicle which caused this incident. State the name, address and phone number of any person who examined the vehicle for damages arising from this incident.

**ANSWER:**

**INTERROGATORY NO. 4:** Identify each address where you have lived in the past ten years and provide the dates when you lived at each address.

**ANSWER:**

**INTERROGATORY NO. 5:** If you have been arrested, charged, warned and/or cited for any violation of any ordinance, law and/or regulation in the past ten years, for each violation identify the charge, jurisdiction, date, and disposition. This includes all traffic violations, licensing violations, vehicle and/or driver inspection violations, and all violations of any criminal code and law.

**ANSWER:**

**INTERROGATORY NO. 6:** If you have been convicted of any felony or misdemeanor within the last ten (10) years, please provide the following information:

- (a) The offense(s) for which you were convicted.
- (b) The state(s) and date(s) of any such conviction(s).
- (c) A description of any sentence(s) or punishment served (this includes restitution, probation, etc.).



**PURSUANT TO TEX. R. EVID. 609, THIS IS YOUR ADVANCE WRITTEN NOTICE THAT WE INTEND TO USE ANY ADMISSIBLE INFORMATION ABOUT YOUR CRIMINAL HISTORY AT THE TRIAL OF THIS LAWSUIT.**

**ANSWER:**

**INTERROGATORY NO. 7:** Did you give a statement to anyone regarding the incident and if so, indicate the name, address and telephone number of the person to whom you gave the statement, contents of the statement, and if you gave more than one statement, give the same information regarding each statement.

**ANSWER:**

**INTERROGATORY NO. 8:** Identify all photographs, motion pictures, maps, plats, drawings, diagrams, videotapes, or other tangible or documentary evidence depicting the scene of the collision in question and/or any person or vehicle involved in the collision in question.

**ANSWER:**

**INTERROGATORY NO. 9:** With respect to the trip that you were on at the time of the collision in question, provide the following information:

- a) Where you came from prior to this incident;
- b) The purpose of your trip at the time of the collision in question;
- c) Your next planned destination at the time of the collision in question;
- d) Identify the route you intended to follow from the point of origin to the point of destination.

**ANSWER:**

**INTERROGATORY NO. 10:** Describe in detail any insurance covering or potentially covering any claim arising from the occurrence, including types of coverage, limits of coverage, name and address of insurance company, policy number and whether such policy was in effect and paid at the time of the incident. If you will do so without a request to produce, please include a copy of the insurance policy and proof of payment.

**ANSWER:**



**INTERROGATORY NO. 11:** State the names, addresses and phone numbers of all persons who you will call to testify and a summary of their testimony.

**ANSWER:**

**INTERROGATORY NO. 12:** Please state any restrictions that are placed on your ability to drive (e.g. corrective lenses).

**ANSWER:**

**INTERROGATORY NO. 13:** For each communication device (cell phone, text message device, e-mail device, etc.) that was done in the vehicle you were operating on the day of the collision in question, explain whether or not it was in use at any time in the hour preceding the collision in question and identify the service provider, account number, phone number and owner.

**ANSWER:**

**INTERROGATORY NO. 14:** Do you accept responsibility for causing the collision in question? Explain why or why not.

**ANSWER:**

**INTERROGATORY NO. 15:** State the names of anyone you know who came to the scene of this incident.

**ANSWER:**

**INTERROGATORY NO. 16:** If you were injured in this incident, provide a list of all medical providers seen by you for your injuries.

**ANSWER:**

**INTERROGATORY NO. 17:** Describe in detail the incident and each act or omission of each person in the incident. Please direct your attention to the following details in answering this Interrogatory:



- a) Please state everything that you did, in the order in which it was done, in an attempt to avoid the incident. If you applied the brakes or horn at any time prior to the incident, please state as to your motor vehicle, the speed and the approximate distance in feet from the point of the incident when you so applied the brakes or horn, stating what was used. If there were any tire marks or any other marks on the road as a result of the incident, kindly describe the marks in detail giving the length and location of the road surface and identify which motor vehicle caused each mark.
- b) Please state everything Plaintiff did or failed to do, which contributed to the incident.
- c) If there were any obstructions to the view of Plaintiff at or near the scene of the incident, please describe each obstruction in detail, giving its location with relation to the incident.
- d) If at the time and place of the incident the visibility of the road was limited or decreased from normal in any way due to glare, design, obstacles, speed, weather or other condition, please describe in complete detail each and every such condition and every action taken to overcome or diminish the adverse effect of each such condition.
- e) If there were any traffic controls, speed limit signs, signals, lights or other devices located at or near the place of the incident which were in any way involved in the happening of the incident, please describe such control or device indicating the direction of traffic controlled by such device and the manner in which it was involved in the incident.

**ANSWER:**



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EXPRESS INC.,

Defendants.

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Cause No. 2018DCV \_\_\_\_\_

**PLAINTIFF'S FIRST REQUEST FOR PRODUCTION OF  
DOCUMENTS AND THINGS TO DEFENDANT AND PRIVILEGE LOG**

**TO: HEARTLAND EXPRESS INC.**

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**FIFTY ONE (51) DAYS AFTER SERVICE AT:**

**VICTOR J. BIEGANOWSKI P.C.**  
801 Myrtle Ste. 100  
El Paso, Texas 79901  
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Respectfully submitted,

**VICTOR J. BIEGANOWSKI, P.C.**

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**CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

In compliance with the Texas Rule of Civil Procedure 21a(e), I, **VICTOR J. BIEGANOWSKI**, certify that on this 4th day of December, 2018, a true and correct copy of the foregoing document filed electronically with the clerk of the court in accordance with Texas Rule of Civil Procedure 21(f)(1), is served on the party or attorney electronically pursuant to Texas Rule of Civil Procedure 21a(a)(1), or if the email address of the party or attorney is not on file with the electronic filing manager, then service is accomplished pursuant to Texas Rule of Procedure 21a(a)(2). The following parties or attorney are served with the foregoing document:

  
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**RESPONSE:**

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**RESPONSE:**

**REQUEST NO. 6:** The contents of KIRK HILLMAN's employment qualification file, driver investigation file, driver history file and all documents that demonstrate compliance with federal and state driver qualification laws and regulations. If any responsive documents have been removed from the driver qualification file, these should be produced nonetheless.

**RESPONSE:**



**REQUEST NO. 7:** All documents of any kind that relate to any pre-employment background investigation of KIRK HILLMAN, including without limitation any investigation of KIRK HILLMAN's qualifications, character, driving history, training, criminal history, drug use, financial responsibility, medical conditions, health conditions, and/or any other matter relevant to employment with HEARTLAND EXPRESS INC.

**RESPONSE:**

**REQUEST NO. 8:** All documents that relate in any way to your recruiting of KIRK HILLMAN.

**RESPONSE:**

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**RESPONSE:**

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**RESPONSE:**

**REQUEST NO. 11:** All documents that relate in any way to training of KIRK HILLMAN. This includes but is not limited to all documents that show all training received by KIRK HILLMAN; when, where and who provided the training and all materials used for training.

**RESPONSE:**

**REQUEST NO. 12:** All quizzes, tests and/or other assessments (questions and answers) ever given by or on behalf of HEARTLAND EXPRESS INC. to KIRK HILLMAN at any time. An answer key should also be provided.

**RESPONSE:**

**REQUEST NO. 13:** Copies of all documents (a) explaining how KIRK HILLMAN was compensated for the one month leading up to and including the date of the collision in question and extending one week after the date of the collision in question; and (b) showing any deduction of wages over the same time period.



**RESPONSE:**

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**RESPONSE:**

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**RESPONSE:**

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**RESPONSE:**

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**RESPONSE:**



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**RESPONSE:**

**REQUEST NO. 21:** Copies of all documents prepared by KIRK HILLMAN that describes the collision in question or the circumstances leading up to the subject incident.

**RESPONSE:**

**REQUEST NO. 22:** All documents evidencing any evaluation of the driving abilities, qualifications, safety, and/or performance of KIRK HILLMAN that has not been produced in response to the preceding Requests.

**RESPONSE:**

**REQUEST NO. 23:** A complete copy of the contents of each and every file (whether maintained physically or electronically), regardless of what the file is called, regarding or addressing KIRK HILLMAN in any way, that has not been produced in response to other Requests above.

**RESPONSE:**

**REQUEST NO. 24:** A copy of all KIRK HILLMAN's hours of service logs and any other driving logs and/or time sheets for the period beginning 180 days before the collision in question and ending 7 days following the collision in question.

**RESPONSE:**

**REQUEST NO. 25:** A copy of all audits and summaries of KIRK HILLMAN's hours of service covering the period beginning one year prior to the collision in question and ending 14 days following the collision in question.

**RESPONSE:**



**REQUEST NO. 26:** For the vehicle involved in the collision in question, produce the following documents:

- a. Title;
- b. Registration;
- c. Operators manual;
- d. Maintenance Schedules;
- e. All documents evidencing maintenance performed on the vehicle at any time within 6 months before the collision in question;
- f. All documents evidencing any inspections of the vehicle during the 6 months before the collision in question;
- g. All documents evidencing any repairs and/or modifications to the vehicle at any time within 6 months before the collision in question;
- h. All documents evidencing any repairs made to the vehicle as a result of the subject collision (including insurance submissions);
- i. All leases involving the vehicle;
- j. Documents evidencing the purchase of the vehicle;
- k. Documents evidencing the sale of the vehicle if it has been sold;
- l. Documents evidencing mileage and weight at time of the collision in question; and
- m. Copies of each and every logbook, ledger, file or the like maintained for any reason regarding the vehicle.

**RESPONSE:**

**REQUEST NO. 27:** Produce copies of all e-mails between KIRK HILLMAN and HEARTLAND EXPRESS INC. for the time period beginning 90 days prior to the collision in question and present.

**RESPONSE:**

**REQUEST NO. 28:** If the vehicle was equipped with any on-board audio or video recording or monitoring devices and/or any other driver or driver safety monitoring system, please produce everything that was retrieved or could be retrieved from such devices and systems.

**RESPONSE:**

**REQUEST NO. 29:** To the degree that it has not been produced in response to other Requests above, produce all data of any kind that was recovered from the vehicle and/or anything inside or connected to any part or system of the vehicle that was involved in the collision in question.

**RESPONSE:**





**REQUEST NO. 30:** A copy of each out of service report or violation concerning the vehicle involved in the collision in question from the period beginning one year prior to the collision in question through present. This request includes any supplements, responses, amendments and dispositions regarding any violation.

**RESPONSE:**

**REQUEST NO. 31:** Produce all documents evidencing damage to any vehicle or other property as a result of the collision in question, including but not limited to repair estimates, appraisals, purchase invoices, repair bills, and checks or drafts reflecting payment for repair or replacement, and any other documents concerning or establishing the value of any item of property before or after the collision in question.

**RESPONSE:**

**REQUEST NO. 32:** Produce all documents given to any person or entity, including any insurance company in return for payment in whole or in part for property damage, e.g., loan receipt(s), release(s), assignment(s), etc.

**RESPONSE:**

**REQUEST NO. 33:** A copy of every document related to any investigation done by or on behalf of HEARTLAND EXPRESS INC. of the scene of the collision in question.

**RESPONSE:**

**REQUEST NO. 34:** All documents authored by anyone working for or on behalf of HEARTLAND EXPRESS INC. that set forth any facts relating to the collision in question.

**RESPONSE:**

**REQUEST NO. 35:** All documents that explain what caused the collision in question.

**RESPONSE:**

**REQUEST NO. 36:** All documents assessing preventability of and/or fault for the collision in question.



**RESPONSE:**

**REQUEST NO. 37:** If the scene of the collision in question was mapped (with a total station or other survey equipment) within 14 days of the collision in question, please produce a copy of the survey data files and all diagrams produced therefrom.

**RESPONSE:**

**REQUEST NO. 38:** Copies of all photographs, video, computer simulations, and any other documents depicting:

- a. Any vehicle involved in the collision in question;
- b. Any person involved in the collision in question;
- c. The scene of the collision in question; and/or
- d. Any evidence (roadway markings or other) relevant to the collision in question.

**RESPONSE:**

**REQUEST NO. 39:** Copies of all reports relating to the collision in question including those prepared by KIRK HILLMAN and those prepared by anyone working for or on behalf of HEARTLAND EXPRESS INC. (except lawyers).

**RESPONSE:**

**REQUEST NO. 40:** A copy of all correspondence and other communications (including e-mail) that you have had with any person other than your lawyer involving the collision in question.

**RESPONSE:**

**REQUEST NO. 41:** All tapes and transcripts of conversations, interviews, and/or statements of any person who purports to know any facts or circumstances relevant to the issues of liability, comparative fault, causation and/or damages in this case.

**RESPONSE:**



**REQUEST NO. 42:** Copies of all documents sent to or received from any governmental agency regarding the collision in question, the driver involved in the collision in question, or any subject that is part of the basis of this lawsuit.

**RESPONSE:**

**REQUEST NO. 43:** Copies of all HEARTLAND EXPRESS INC. policies, procedures, rules, guidelines, directives, manuals, handbooks and instructions that were in effect at the time of the collision in question, relating to:

- a. Operation of any motor vehicle (e.g., driving manuals or handbooks, and the like);
- b. Operation of a work vehicle;
- c. Driving safety;
- d. Defensive driving;
- e. Compliance with federal and state laws and regulations;
- f. Accident investigation;
- g. Accident review boards;
- h. Determination of preventability of accidents;
- i. Hiring, retaining, training and supervising drivers; and
- j. Disciplinary actions;
- k. Copies of any other manuals, guidelines, rules, regulations, and other documents of any kind that are furnished and/or adopted (whether formal or informal) by the company in connection with the work performed by its operational personnel (e.g. dispatchers, safety managers, log auditors).

**RESPONSE:**

**REQUEST NO. 44:** Copies of each document that KIRK HILLMAN signed to prove that KIRK HILLMAN received and/or agreed to be bound by any policies, procedures, rules, guidelines and/or standards of HEARTLAND EXPRESS INC..

**RESPONSE:**

**REQUEST NO. 45:** To the degree that HEARTLAND EXPRESS INC. has any rules, policies, procedures, guidelines, driving manuals, employee handbooks or manuals, or other similar documents that were not provided to KIRK HILLMAN before the collision in question, please produce them now.

**RESPONSE:**



**REQUEST NO. 46:** A complete copy of, or in the alternative, access to, each driver safety training film, video, videotape, videocassette, audio cassette, computer program, simulator, driver diagnostic record or test, maintained by your company, or used by HEARTLAND EXPRESS INC., its personnel, agents, or employees during the year of the collision in question and three years prior.

**RESPONSE:**

**REQUEST NO. 47:** Copies of all industry and/or other guidelines and/or practices that you rely upon to support your contentions in this case.

**RESPONSE:**

**REQUEST NO. 48:** Copy of documents showing the hierarchy of managerial positions at HEARTLAND EXPRESS INC. and who occupied such positions as of the time of the subject incident and presently.

**RESPONSE:**

**REQUEST NO. 49:** A copy of each document (including articles and presentations) prepared and/or presented by any HEARTLAND EXPRESS INC. representative relating to the safe operation of a motor vehicle for the past five years.

**RESPONSE:**

**REQUEST NO. 50:** All company newsletters distributed/authored during the time period beginning two years before the collision in question and present.

**RESPONSE:**

**REQUEST NO. 51:** Copies of any contract under which your company was operating the vehicle in question at the time of the collision in question.

**RESPONSE:**

**REQUEST NO. 52:** Copies of all documents putting any third party on notice of a claim arising from the collision in question

**RESPONSE:**



**REQUEST NO. 53:** Transcripts or recordings of all depositions of corporate designees for HEARTLAND EXPRESS INC. given in the past five years in cases where it was alleged that a driver working for HEARTLAND EXPRESS INC. caused injury or death to another person.

**RESPONSE:**

**REQUEST NO. 54:** All correspondence and other communication of any kind between you and any other Defendant to this Action.

**RESPONSE:**

**REQUEST NO. 55:** With respect to each expert witness who may provide testimony at the trial of this case, provide:

- a. A copy of all documents (as that term is defined above) and items of any kind produced to said expert;
- b. A copy of all documents (as that term is defined above) and items of any kind generated or produced by said expert;
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**RESPONSE:**

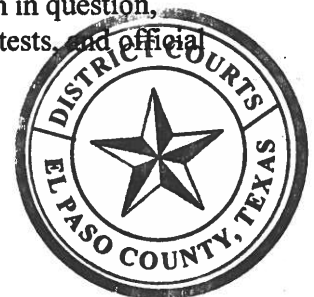
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**RESPONSE:**

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**RESPONSE:**

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**RESPONSE:**

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**RESPONSE:**

**PURSUANT TO TEX. R. EVID. 609, THIS IS YOUR ADVANCE WRITTEN NOTICE THAT WE INTEND TO USE ANY ADMISSIBLE INFORMATION ABOUT YOUR CRIMINAL HISTORY AT THE TRIAL OF THIS LAWSUIT.**

**REQUEST FOR PRIVILEGE LOG TO BE ANSWERED  
WITHIN 30 DAYS OF SERVICE**

**Privilege Log:** If you are withholding documents based upon the assertion of a privilege, please produce a privilege log in accordance with Rule 193.3 (b), detailing with reasonable particularity a description of the documents withheld, the number of documents, and the privilege which you claim properly precludes the information from being discovered. Specifically do the following:

- (a) Detail the privilege asserted;
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- (d) Identify the location and custodian of the document(s)
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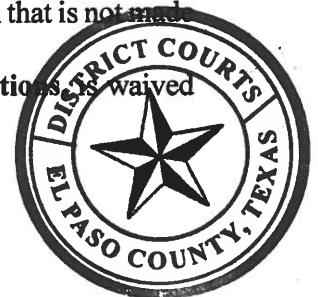
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**REQUEST NO. 22:** Produce any document or thing that you contend evidences or supports your denial of any of Plaintiff's Requests for Admissions.

**RESPONSE:**

**REQUEST NO. 23:** If any surveillance has been undertaken by or on behalf of you, produce a copy of all reports, photographs, video and anything else generated through that investigation.

**RESPONSE:**

**REQUEST NO. 24:** Copies of any and all documents from any and all claims and/or lawsuits filed against you which arise from this incident involving any and all of the parties involved in this lawsuit. This should include any and all pleadings, discovery, requests, answers and depositions.

**RESPONSE:**

**REQUEST NO. 25:** Pursuant to Texas Rules of Evidence 609, please provide any information you have which suggests Plaintiff(s), Defendant(s), or any witness identified in this lawsuit, including expert and consulting witnesses, has been convicted of a crime which was a felony or one which involved moral turpitude. Please state the nature of the crime, date of conviction, court/county of conviction, disposition, and if probation was imposed, please state if the probation was successfully completed.

**RESPONSE:**



**REQUEST NO. 26:** Produce copies of any statements given by you to any person or company regarding the facts of this incident.

**RESPONSE:**

**REQUEST NO. 27:** Produce copies of any and all damage appraisals and/or automobile repairs for any and/or all of the vehicles involved in this incident.

**RESPONSE:**

**REQUEST NO. 28:** Copies of any property damage checks paid by any company for damages sustained by any and/or all of the vehicles involved in this incident.

**RESPONSE:**

**REQUEST NO. 29:** Copies of any and all medical records and bills for any injuries you sustained in this incident.

**RESPONSE:**

**REQUEST NO. 30:** A complete copy of your personnel file, including but not limited to, job applications, disciplinary documents, FMCSA documents, personnel policies of Defendant HEARTLAND EXPRESS INC., FMCSA violations and DOT physical reports.

**RESPONSE:**

**PURSUANT TO TEX. R. EVID. 609, THIS IS YOUR ADVANCE WRITTEN NOTICE THAT WE INTEND TO USE ANY ADMISSIBLE INFORMATION ABOUT YOUR CRIMINAL HISTORY AT THE TRIAL OF THIS LAWSUIT.**

**REQUEST NO. 31:** A complete copy of your logs (log book) for a one (1) week period prior to and after and including the date of this incident.

**RESPONSE:**

